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Form PTO/SB/30 (08-00) modified

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number: 09/080,461

Mail Stop RCE

Filing Date: May 19, 1998

First Named Inventor: Hajime ASAMA et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2174

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Examiner Name: Le V. Nguyen

Technology Center 2100

Attorney Docket Number: P61993US0

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time (2 months)
 - v. ☐ Other _____.

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____.

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3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. X A credit card payment (Form PTO-2038) in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed for the following fees:
- i. X RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. Other _____.
- b. X If the amount provided in a. is incorrect, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

Respectfully submitted,

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